

U.S. Department of Homeland Security

**United States Secret Service** 

## Media Advisory

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## **Secret Service Incident**

(Washington, D.C.) – Today, at approximately 3:06 pm, an adult male subject, carrying a firearm, approached an outer perimeter checkpoint accessible to the general public on E Street. Secret Service Uniformed Division Officers gave numerous verbal commands for the subject to stop and drop the firearm. When the subject failed to comply with the verbal commands, he was shot once by a Secret Service agent and taken into custody. The Secret Service recovered a firearm at the scene. Secret Service Uniformed Division Officers and an agent provided medical aid to the subject. The subject has been transported to a local area hospital for medical treatment.

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